(b) The export-import and trade balance with all the above three countries are as follows:-

In US$ Million

| Year | Bangladesh | | | Myanmar | | | Pakistan | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Import | Export | Trade Balance | Import | Export | Trade Balance | Import | Export | Trade Balance |
| 2002-03 | 62.05 | 1176 | 1113.95 | 336 04 | 75.07<br>89.64 | -260.97 | 44.85 | 206.16 | - 161.31 |
| 2003-04 | 62.24 | 1646.08 | 1583.84 | 409.01 | 109.73 | 319.37 | 57.74 | 286.55 | - 228.81 |
| 2004-05 | 54.88 | 1586.18 | 1531.30 | 398.54 | | 288.81 | 95.33 | 505.44 | 410.11 |

(c) The proposed initiatives intend to address the market access issue of the goods from the above three countries. The initiatives are being discussed within the framework of South Asia Free Trade Area (SAFTA) and Bay of Bengal Initiative of Multisectoral Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC) Grouping. Hence, fixing a target at this stage does not arise.

**Sainik Schools**

26. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the school-wise/State-wise details of Sainik Schools functioning at present in the various States of the country;

(b) whether Government proposes to set up any new Sainik School in the country;

(c) if so, the location-wise details thereof; and

(d) the details of criteria/guide lines fixed for admission in these schools alongwith the relaxation being provided to the various categories?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) 20 Sainik Schools are being run under the Ministry of Defence in the country. Their location, State-wise is given in the Statement (See *below).*

(b) and (c) Ministry of Defence has accorded 'in principle' approval to the setting up of a Sainik School each at Chhingchhip (Mizoram) and Punglwa (Nagaland).

(d) Admission in Sainik Schools is made on the basis of merit in an entrance examination held annually for admission to classes VI & IX subject to the candidates being medically fit and fulfilling the prescribed age criteria. 67% of the seats in each Sainik School are reserved for the boys from the State in which the Sainik School is located and the remaining seats are filled by boys from other States and Union Territories. Out of the total seats, 25% seats are reserved for children of service personnel including ex-Servicemen. 15% and 7.5% seats are also reserved for SC and ST boys respectively.

***Statement***

*Statewise location of Sainik Schools*

| S.No. | Name of the State | Location of Sainik School |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | Andhra Pradesh | Korukonda |
| 2. | Assam | Goalpara |
| 3. | Bihar | Gopalganj |
| 4. | Bihar | Nalanda |
| 5. | Gujarat | Balachadi |
| 6. | Haryana | Kunjpura |
| 7. | Himachal Pradesh | SujanpurTira |
| 8. | JammuS Kashmir | Nagrota |
| 9. | Jharkhand | Tilaiya |
| 10. | Karnataka | Bijapur |
| 11. | Kerala | Kazhakootam |
| 12. | Madhya Pradesh | Rewa |
| 13. | Maharashtra | Satara |
| 14. | Manipur | Imphal |
| 15. | Orissa | Bhubaneshwar |
| 16. | Punjab | Kapurthala |
| 17. | Rajasthan | Chittorgarh |
| 18. | Tamil Nadu | Amaravathinagar |
| 19. | Uttaranchal | Ghorakhal |
| 20. | West Bengal | Purulia |